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SUBJECT: UNIDO IDB-X: AGENDA ITEM 8: MEDIUM TERM PLAN
(MTP)

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1. REGARDING PARAGRAPH 3 REFTTEL, US POSITION IS THAT
UNIDO MEDIUM TERM PLAN (MTP) IS UNACCEPTABLE AND
UNINFORMATIVE. AS THE BERTRAND REPORT POINTS OUT,
MUCH WORK NEEDS TO BE DONE ON THE PART OF ALL UN SYSTEM

ORGANS TO DEVELOP MORE SATISFACTORY CONCEPTS AND
METHODOLOGIES FOR FORMULATING AND PRESENTING MTP'S. QUITE
OBVIOUSLY UNIDO IS NOT ALONE IN THIS; HOWEVER, MEDIUM
TERM PLANNING HAS NO PURPOSE IF IT FAILS TO PROVIDE
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MANAGEMENT (INCLUDING GOVERNING BODIES SUCH AS THE IDB)

SUFFICIENT INFORMATION TO DEFINE LEADING ISSUES AND MAKE DECISIONS IN A TIMELY, EFFECTIVE FASHION. QUITE CLEARLY UNIDO'S MTP NOW UNDER CONSIDERATION DOES NOT DO THIS, EVEN THOUGH UNIDO WAS GIVEN DETAILED GUIDELINES FROM UN IN NEW YORK.

2. UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES IT SEEMS THAT THE BOARD CAN, AT BEST, ONLY HOPE TO HELP ELABORATE WITH SOME GREATER

PRECISION THE PROBLEMS, OBJECTIVES AND COMPARATIVE ADVANTAGES OF ALTERNATIVE PLANS FOR THE EMPLOYMENT OF SUCH SCARCE RESOURCES AS MAY BECOME AVAILABLE TO UNIDO THROUGH REGULAR AND EXTRA-BUDGETARY SOURCES FOR THE PURSUIT OF THOSE OBJECTIVES OVER THE YEARS 1978-1981.

3. IN THE PROCESS THE BOARD MIGHT ALSO INDICATE THE KINDS OF MPT CONCEPTS OF ANALYTICAL CONTENT AND METHODOLOGIES OF PRESENTATION THAT WOULD BE MOST USEFUL TO ITS PURPOSES IN FUTURE MEDIUM TERM PLANNING, ACKNOWLEDGING THE RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE SECRETARIAT TO THE SECRETARY GENERAL AND OTHER PARTS OF UN SYSTEM AS WELL.

4. FOR THESE PURPOSES, THE USDEL SHOULD DRAW UPON, WHERE USEFUL AND APPROPRIATE, ITS POSITION PAPERS FOR VARIOUS OTHER AGENDA ITEMS AND THOSE PARTS OF THE US DISCUSSION PAPER, TOWARD A LONG-RANGE STRATEGY FOR UNIDO, USED DURING THE WORK OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE. SCHUWEILER HAS DISCUSSED THESE APPROACHES WITH VARIOUS INTERESTED OFFICERS, BOTH HERE AND IN NEW YORK AND WILL BE PREPARED TO HELP FURTHER ELABORATE THE US POSITION ON ARRIVAL.

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